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MULTIMEDIA UNIVERSITY

FINAL EXAMINATION

TRIMESTER 3, 2018/2019

BEM1034 – MATHEMATICS FOR ECONOMICS

(All sections / Groups)

31 MAY 2019 9.00 a.m – 11.00 a.m (2 Hours)

INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENT

- 1. This question paper consists of FOUR (4) printed pages excluding cover page.
- 2. Answer ALL FOUR (4) questions.
- 3. Please write all your answers in the Answer Booklet provided.
- 4. Selected mathematical formula are provided at the end of the question paper.

QUESTION 1 (25 MARKS)

(a) Solve $5 + (3)4^{x-1} = 12$

(6 marks)

(b) Find x if $(25)^{x+2} = 5^{3x-4}$

(4 marks)

(c) The projected population P of a city is given by:

$$P = 100,000e^{0.05t}$$

where t is the number of years after 1990. Predict the population for the year 2010.

(2 marks)

(d) State whether x = 2 is the discontinuity point for:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 1 & \text{if } x > 2 \\ 8x & \text{if } x < 2 \end{cases}$$

and show that $\lim_{x\to 2} f(x)$ does not exists.

(6 marks)

(e) Is x = 0 discontinuity point for:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \ge 0 \\ -1 & \text{if } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

(4 marks)

(f) Find the limits of $\lim_{x\to 4} \frac{x^2 - 9x + 20}{x^2 - 3x - 4}$

(3 marks)

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QUESTION 2 (25 MARKS)

(a) Consider the following system of equations:

$$\begin{cases} x + 2y = 5\\ 3x + 7y = 18 \end{cases}$$

Solve the above system using an inversion of matrix method.

(5 marks)

(b) Given the technology matrix, A and the final demand vector, D as below:

Grain Fertilizer Cattle

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.05 & 0.25 & 0.34 \\ 0.33 & 0.10 & 0.12 \\ 0.19 & 0.38 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \qquad D = \begin{bmatrix} 1800 \\ 200 \\ 900 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Grain}$$
Cattle

Determine the total demand, X for industries Grain, Fertilizer and Cattle. Apply $X = (I - A)^{-1}D$ formula and leave your answer in two decimal points.

(20 marks)

QUESTION 3 (25 MARKS)

(a) Find $\frac{dy}{dx}$ for $3x^2 - xy + 3y = 7$ using implicit differentiation.

(7 marks)

(b) Differentiate $y = x^x$.

(4 marks)

(c) Solve $\frac{dy}{dx}$ if $x = 2t - \frac{1}{t}$ and $y = t + \frac{4}{t}$ where $t \neq 0$.

(6 marks)

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(d) Suppose the quantity demanded, q and the unit price, p for a certain commodity are related by the linear equation:

$$q = 240 - 2p$$

i. express the elasticity of demand as a function of p.

(2 marks)

ii. Is the demand elastic or inelastic at p = 100?

(3 marks)

iii. State whether the demand elastic or inelastic at p = 50.

(3 marks)

QUESTION 4 (25 MARKS)

(a) Solve $\int e^{-3x+5} dx$

(4 marks)

(b) Evaluate $\int_{0}^{1} xe^{-x} dx$

(6 marks)

(c) If $f(x, y) = (2x^2y + 3xy^2)e^{5xy}$, compute $f_x(1,1)$ and $f_y(1,1)$. Provide your answers in two decimal points.

(8 marks)

(d) The demand equation for a product is:

$$q = 10(100 - p)^2$$

where q is unit price in Ringgit Malaysia and p is the quantity demanded, calculate consumers' surplus under equilibrium which occurs at a price MYR 84.

(7 marks)

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<u>Formula</u>

1. Input-Output Model

$$(I - A) X = D$$

where A is the input-output matrix, D is the external or final demand and X is the production level.

2. Total differential (change)

If
$$z = f(x, y)$$
, then the total change is $dz = f_x dx + f_y dy$

3.Implicit function rule

For a function
$$f(x_1, x_2, ..., x_n, y)$$
, $\frac{dy}{dx_i} = -\frac{f_{x_i}}{fy}$

4. Elasticity of demand

$$\varepsilon_{d} = -\frac{dq}{dp}\Big|_{(q,p)} \cdot \frac{p}{q}$$

5. Consumers' Surplus (CS) and Producers' Surplus (PS)

$$CS = \int_{\overline{p}}^{p_0} D(p) dp$$

$$PS = \overline{px} - \int_{0}^{\overline{x}} S(x) dx$$

where \overline{p} is the unit market price, \overline{x} is the quantity sold, D is the demand function and S is the supply function.